

BLACKSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT
News Release

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SUBJECT: Sexual Assault

Blacksburg Police are investigating a burglary and sexual assault that occurred at about 2:30 this morning in the Terrace View Apartment complex. Police were called to the scene at 2:35 a.m. to assist a 20-year-old Virginia Tech student who had been attacked. The victim told police she was walking home along Patrick Henry Drive when she noticed a man following her. She went to her apartment and he followed her into the breezeway where it appeared he was going into another apartment in the same building. The victim went inside and locked the door. Within a few minutes, the victim heard a noise in her apartment and was confronted by the suspect who had entered through the patio door. The victim was attacked and thrown to the floor. Defending herself, she struck the attacker several times and he fled.

Police are investigating a similar incident that occurred near that area on June 25, 2005 at 1:30 a.m. That attack, at the time, appeared to be random. The 20-year-old female victim was attacked in a stairwell by an unknown male. She too fought off her attacker and he fled on foot toward Patrick Henry Drive.

Police are looking for a white male, early to mid twenties, shoulder length brown or red hair, about 6 feet tall, medium to heavy build, wearing glasses.

A computer generated drawing of the suspect is available at the Blacksburg Police Department.